

AMENDMENTS TO THE CLAIMS

1. **(Currently Amended)** An apparatus for treating diseased skin with ultraviolet (UV) light, the apparatus comprising:

a source of UV light within the range of 300 and 315 nanometers; and

a cooler for cooling the diseased skin to below about 0 °C.

2. **(Currently Amended)** An apparatus for treating an area of diseased epidermal tissue with ultraviolet UV light, the apparatus comprising:

a source of high intensity ultraviolet light equal to or greater than about 1 minimum erythema dose (MED) in the wavelength range of between about 300 and 315 nanometers having an output for emitting the UV light;

a conduit positioned to receive said ultraviolet light, said conduit having an output end that emits said UV light;

a delivery device that includes said output end of said conduit; and

a cooler included in said delivery device configured to cool the skin to to substantially lower than about 34 °C.

3. **(Original)** The apparatus of Claim 2, wherein said delivery device has a localized UV output sufficiently small to illuminate a portion of skin no larger than said area of diseased epidermal tissue.

4. **(Currently Amended)** A method for treating an epidermal region comprising diseased tissue, the method comprising:

cooling the diseased tissue to below about 5 °C and exposing the diseased tissue in said epidermal region to a dosage of ultraviolet light equal to or greater than about 1 minimum erythema dose (MED) in the wavelength range of between about 300 and 315 nanometers.

5. **(New)** The apparatus of Claim 1, wherein the source of UV light comprises an excimer laser.

6. **(New)** The apparatus of Claim 1, wherein the source of UV light has central operating wavelength at about 308 nm.

7. **(New)** The apparatus of Claim 1, wherein the cooler comprises jets configured to spray the skin with a cool liquid, gas, or air.

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8. (New) The apparatus of Claim 1, wherein the cooler comprises a chilled UV transparent substrate.

9. (New) The apparatus of Claim 8, wherein the cooler further comprises a thermoelectric cooler.

10. (New) The apparatus of Claim 1, wherein a cooler is configured to cool the diseased skin to below about -5 °C.

11. (New) The apparatus of Claim 2, wherein the source of high intensity ultraviolet light comprises an excimer laser.

12. (New) The apparatus of Claim 2, wherein the source of high intensity ultraviolet light has a central output wavelength of about 308 nm.

13. (New) The apparatus of Claim 2, wherein the cooler comprises a channel configured to spray the skin with a cool liquid, gas, or air through an opening therein.

14. (New) The apparatus of Claim 2, wherein the cooler comprises a chilled UV transparent substrate.

15. (New) The apparatus of Claim 2, wherein a cooler is configured to cool the diseased skin to below about -5 °C.

16. (New) The method of Claim 4, wherein the epidermal region exposed to ultraviolet has an area between about 1 cm² and about 4 cm².

17. (New) The method of Claim 4, wherein cooling comprises spraying the skin with a cool liquid, gas, or air.

18. (New) The method of Claim 4, wherein cooling comprise contacting the diseased tissue with a chilled surface.

19. (New) The method of Claim 4, wherein the diseased tissue is cooled to below about 0 °C.

20. (New) The method of Claim 4, wherein the diseased tissue is cooled to below about -5 °C.